

**FAUQUIER COUNTY
ARCHITECTURAL REVIEW BOARD**

Meeting Minutes

June 4, 2014

4:00 p.m.

The Root House, 12256 Freemans Ford Road, Remington

Attendance:

Mary Root, Chair (Citizen-at-Large)
Bob Lee (Planning Commission Representative)
Brandie Schaeffer (Center District Representative)
Jack LaMonica (Marshall District Representative)

Staff:

Wendy Wheatcraft, Preservation Planner

Guest:

Julie Bolthouse, Piedmont Environmental Council

Not in attendance:

Hilary Gerhardt (Cedar Run District Representative)
Chris Phillips (Lee District Representative)
Julie Broaddus (Scott District Representative)

1. Ms. Root called the meeting to order at 4:00 p.m.
2. The May 7, 2014 meeting minutes were reviewed. Ms. Root made a motion to approve the minutes. Mr. LaMonica seconded the motion. The motion carried 4 – 0.
3. New Business
ARB Fiscal Year (FY) 2014-2015 Project Plan

Ms. Wheatcraft informed the Board that during most fiscal years a pocket of Community Development funds are available for the boards and commissions to use for professional services, special projects, and educational events. She engaged the ARB in a discussion centered on developing such events early in the fiscal year in order to earmark funding for ARB functions. With two events to plan, including Archaeology Month in October 2014 and Preservation Month in May 2015, the following event concepts were discussed.

- Archaeology Month:
Ms. Wheatcraft told the group about a piece of property in southern Fauquier County on which may be a Civil War encampment site. (No camp sites have been technically identified in Fauquier, to date.) Ms. Wheatcraft noted that a public educational program could be built around trying to identify this site as an encampment with the expertise of a historic archeologist. The archaeologist could give a separate lecture. Ms. Wheatcraft also mentioned highlighting the Stephen

McCormick house and workshop site in Auburn (privately owned). It could potentially be a nationally significant archaeological site.

- Preservation Month:
Brick Seminar/Workshop – Ms. Root noted that a workshop on preservation and maintenance of historic brick and aspects of historic brick, including history in the area, color and texture, bonding patterns, and/or mortar could be organized for Preservation Month. Participants could learn about these or other specific aspects of brick and learn pointing techniques from a master craftsman. She commented that the seminar could be presented at the location of the ARB's choice. Ms. Schaeffer mentioned that it could be designed to provide professional continuing education credits for architects and planners.
Brick Walking Tour with a Historic Component – Ms. Schaeffer presented the idea of a walking tour to highlight brick maintenance issues/problems, as well as outstanding examples. Ms. Wheatcraft noted that this could be an event in partnership with the Town of Warrenton.
- The Board also discussed developing an annual scholarship/grant fund for high school students or a public award program to honor those who complete a successful rehab project or contribute to historic preservation within the community. Ms. Root suggested an essay contest for the scholarship program.

4. Ongoing Business

- Ms. Bolthouse of Piedmont Environmental Council, discussed attending a recent meeting regarding the Waterloo Bridge. At the meeting, she pointed out that the both counties made it very clear that they were not interested in a contemporary replacement of the bridge.
- Comp Plan Amendment/Update
This item was tabled until the next meeting of the Board, which is July 9, 2014.

5. Announcements

- Verizon proposed telecommunications tower public meeting in Casanova – June 5, 2014, 7:00 p.m. at the Grace Episcopal Church, Parrish Hall

6. Next Meeting

The next meeting will be postponed to Wednesday, July 9, 2014. The meeting will be held in the 2nd Floor Conference Room, Warren Green Building, 10 Hotel Street, Warrenton and will begin at 4:00 p.m.

7. There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 5:00 p.m.